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An Act To Allow Eligible Nonprofit Organizations To Hold Two Card Games Per Month

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §1836, first ¶, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 487, Pt. A, §2, is amended to read:

The Chief of the State Police may issue a license to conduct a tournament game as provided in this section to an organization eligible to conduct beano games under chapter 13-A and games of chance under this chapter. For purposes of this section, "tournament game" means a game of chance played using a deck of cards with rules similar to poker or other card games. The Chief of the State Police may not issue a tournament game license to an organization more than ~~one~~twice per month.

SUMMARY

Under current law the Chief of the State Police may issue one license a month to conduct a tournament game, including a Texas Hold 'em game, to an eligible nonprofit organization. This bill allows the Chief of the State Police to issue 2 licenses a month.